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RESOLUTION 1352/REV.1

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1. SECOND COMMITTEE APPROVED RESOLUTION 1352/REV.1 NOVEMBER 19 BY A VOTE OF 120-0-5(US, FRG, UK, IRELAND AND COLOMBIA). VOTE ON RESOLUTION HAD BEEN PRECEDED BY SEPARATE VOTE ON US AMENDMENT TO OP PARA 3 RE PERMANENT SOVERIEGNTY AS INSTRUCTED IN REFTEL. VOTE ON US AMENDMENT WAS 12-84-15. TWO SEPARATE VOTES WERE HELD ON OP PARA 4. AT THE LAST MINUTE, THE CO-SPONSORS AGREED, AMONG THEMSELVES, TO THE DELETION OF THE WORDS "IDENTIFY" AND "APPROPRIATE" IN THE SENTENCE "IDENTIFY AND DEFINE APPROPRIATE QUANTITATIVE TARGETS..." NEW ZEALAND MOVE TO RESTORE THESE WORDS WAS DEFEATED IN A VOTE 22-82-11(US). THE ROLE CALL VOTE ON OP PARA 4 AS AMENDED BY THE CO-SPONSORS RESULTED IN ITS ADOPTION BY VOTE OF 102-3(US, FRG, AND UK) -20.

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2. COMMITTEE ACTION HAD BEEN PRECEDED BY LAST DITCH

EFFORTS NOVEMBER 18 BY CONCERNED DELEGATION TO REACH CONSENSUS. US PURSUED TWO POINTS: PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY AND QUANTITATIVE TARGETS. PERUVIAN REP UNOFFICIALLY ACCEPTED US PROPOSAL RE PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY. UNFORTUNATELY, HE WAS UNABLE TO CONVINCE OTHER CO-SPONSORS, MOST PARTICULARLY YUGOSLAVIA, INDIA, AND IRAQ. CONSEQUENTLY, A REVISION OF 1352 WAS ISSUED INCORPORATING A FEW OF THE ORIGINAL FEATURES OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT. WHEN THE ITEM WAS TAKEN UP ON THE FLOOR NOVEMBER 19, THERE WERE FURTHER EFFORTS BY SOME OF THE CO-SPONSORS TO REVERT TO THE ORIGINAL, MORE DIFFICULT LANGUAGE IN OP PARA 4. THIS FLOOR MOVE WAS LED BY LIBYA AND EVENTUALLY SECONDED BY ALL OF THE KEY CO-SPONSORS. AS A CONSEQUENCE, THE US REP DECIDED TO VOTE AGAINST OP PARA 4 NOT ONLY TO REGISTER DISTRESS WITH THE SUBSTANCE OF THE PARA BUT ALSO TO INDICATE SOME DISPLEASURE AT THE BREAKDOWN OF AT LEAST A PARTIAL AGREEMENT REACHED IN THE COURSE OF THE PROLONGED CONSULTATIONS.

3. NUMEROUS EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE WERE MADE FOLLOWING THE ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION. THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE WAS MADE BY THE FRG REP AND TOUCHED UPON ((A) PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY (B) TARGETS AND (C) THE PROGRAM OF ACTION. IN GENERAL, HIS VIEWS PARALLELED THOSE CONTAINED IN THE DEPT'S INSTRUCTIONS. US REP MADE BRIEF EXPLANATION OF VOTE RE PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY, TARGETS, AND BALANCING REFERENCES TO PROGRAM OF ACTION WITH PARALLEL REFERENCES TO IDS.

4. LDC'S EXPLANATIONS DWELT ON THEIR VIEWS OF EXERCISE OF PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY. MOST OF THEM FELT CONSTRAINED TO INDICATE THAT THEIR VOTE AGAINST US AMENDMENT DID NOT REFLECT THEIR DISAFFECTION FROM THAT PRINCIPLE BUT RATHER THEIR DESIRE TO EMBRACE THE MORE EXPLICIT VERSION OF IT IN OP PARA 3.

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